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LOK SABHA

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LOSSES TO SUGARCANE FARMERS IN ANDHRA PRADESH DUE TO FLOODS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sugarcane farmers of Andhra Pradesh and some other States have incurred huge losses due to floods in recent past;

(b) if so, the extent thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to help the said farmers in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. As per report of the Inter-Ministerial Team deputed to the States of Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka for an on the spot assessment of damage caused to sugarcane crops by recent floods, more than 50% sugarcane crop over an area of 17351 hectares in Andhra Pradesh, 66292 hectares in Maharashtra and 193191 hectares in Karnataka has been affected.

(c): An amount of Rs.39.57 crores to Andhra Pradesh, Rs.15.91 crores to Maharashtra and Rs.14.374 crores to Karnataka were approved from National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) for damaged sugarcane crop to the affected farmers.